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ON DECK AGAIN

Two weeks in bed with the flu is not the most pleasant way of taking a vacation and even after one is up and at 'em again, one's pins are wobbly and thinking processes also seem to suffer. Maybe however it's only the little devils that have not yet been driven out of the head that seem to leave one with only a one track mind.

However, even under the above handicaps it seems much better to be back on the job than to be on one's back where one can do nothing but think and find no outlet for their thoughts.

I am beginning to believe that this little corner in Linn's has been missed by some of our readers for it is a fact we do receive occasional postal cards and letters egging us on.

If we err in what we print we are naturally on jumped and given hail columbia. We do not mind this for we realize that we can not hope to please everyone. What we do object to is such penny postal card kicks as came recently from a New York man who simply signs his postal card "C. Coleman." An attempt to learn who the man might be was made by searching our subscription files but we were unable to tie it up with anything we could find. If the gentleman would have the backbone to say what he means, rather than write in a vague manner we might be able to understand what his complaint is all about, but we are still in the dark. We never did have much respect for anyone who was afraid to identify themselves with their utterings.

Mr. Coleman dates his Postal Card January 22 and says—"I notice for the last few weeks that 'Broadway Chatter' contains items downing the stamp trade." etc. etc.

It just happens that the Broadway Chatter Column did not appear in our issue of January 1st, therefore Mr. Coleman undoubtedly refers to the issues of January 8 and 15. We fail to note anything in either of these issues that might be the "bone" this party is trying to pick other than frank reference to certain stamps which speculators have been playing with and which certain stamps are a drug on the market even at face value, some because their use is limited to certain definite postal

The Stamp Trade

A discussion of Stamp Collecting and Stamp Dealing from the Business angle by the Managing Editor.

GEORGE W. LINN

uses such as Air Mail or Special Delivery also remarks as regards persons who have loaded themselves with recent commemoratives and hoped to make a killing and are obliged to sell at face or less to get quick money.

There is certainly nothing else in these two issues that Mr. Coleman can refer to other than items of this nature.

Mr. Coleman fails to realize that our paper is a newspaper and that the 20,000 readers are entitled to the news, even though this news might be unfavorable to some things that Mr. Coleman may favor. We feel certain that outstanding dealers feel as we do about the wave of speculation that has crept into stamp collecting in the past two or three years and that these dealers wish as we wish that the public, the people who are not stamp collectors, would take their money back into the stock market and keep out of stamps entirely. We are certain that stamp collecting, both for the collector and for the dealer would benefit by such a move and the sooner these get rich quick people quit playing with fire the sooner we will benefit by their retirement.

Mind you now, we still believe that a man who wishes to invest a few dollars in stamps from time to time, even in full sheets to lay away for a LONG TIME INVESTMENT, has a safe investment. Only time will tell how profitable it will be but certainly a thousand or a few thousand put in mint stamps is certain to be worth face in the future whereas we all know how tremendous losses have been taken in the stock market. But, mind you, we said for a long time investment and we do not mean a year or two.

Another angle to this fetish for investment is the average collector. The collector should be satisfied with a single mint copy and if wanted, a block of four. Rather than buy those two items and put them in his col-

lection he gobbles up a couple or three sheets and lays them aside. This act is multiplied thousands of times all over the country. What is the result? There is for some years to come a plentiful supply of these certain stamps available in the market at or close to face because every now and then one of these collectors realizes "what the —! I might as well sell those things and buy something else I need." This goes on for years and the striking point about the whole matter is that the catalog value of the stamp stands stationary or shows but little rise. If all these collectors had bought only the single copies and blocks that they needed for their collection then these various stamps would have climbed in value and the collector would benefit. As things have been going, the collector has been beating down the value of his own collection.

What we need is to lead more and more collectors into making a real stamp collection, to go back and pick up the early issues that they know nothing about for it's surprising how many of the so-called stamp collectors of today have collections that show but little outside of the recent issues in quantity.

BALLETINE GETS RESULTS

The same mail brings letters from dealers who are getting results even from the use of a single inch space and from dealers who complain of lack of results from the same amount of space. D. Landt Balletine of Detroit under date of January 22 writes: "Replies, so far, have averaged two to one for Linn's and I am ready to sign up for a year when my present contract expires." Then the other fellow complains of no results and when we attempt to analyze his advertising along with other copy in the paper we find his prices 25c to a dollar higher than other dealers are asking for the same items and these other dealers are using six and eight inch space

frequently. The one great fault with most dealers is their own lack of study of their own advertising copy and the preparation of that copy. Our readers are bright enough to compare prices and to patronize dealers who make attractive offers and when an advt. does not get results after being circulated to 20,000 collectors, it's time for the advertiser to begin to study his copy.

A DOLLAR DOWN AND A DOLLAR WHEN YOU CATCH THEM

Our object in this note is to question the method that is now being adopted by some dealers in their efforts to sell certain stamps. Frankly we wonder if it is good business to offer expensive sets of stamps, such as Coronations on the plan of a dollar down and a dollar a week. We know the market is glutted with these stamps. It was the old "Speculative bug" that brought about this situation and only time will right it after which there will be a lot of people who will or should benefit by their experience in this case.

For the collector who eventually expects to buy these issues, now is the time to buy. The prices are still at just about where they were when the stamps came out and anyone knows that such a price is still too low to allow a decent return to the dealer. These prices will go up gradually, they can not come down unless the seller decides to take a loss and end his suspense. General business conditions throughout the country in the past several months has had some bad effect on the sale of these issues, yet a spell of good business will bring a demand which should help.

Yet it is a good plan to attempt to sell these sets to the collector who has heretofore not been a prospect for a set of this value? If we are to saddle several thousand collectors with an obligation to pay a dollar a week for fifteen or twenty weeks, are we not eliminating that collector as a prospect for the sale of the ordinary kind of stamps that he has been spending his weekly stamp dollar for?

Personally, we have always believed that long time credit sales were detrimental rather than beneficial to business of any kind.

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The Swedish Tercentenary

By Bob Richardson

THE United States commemorative stamp to celebrate the tercentenary of the first Swedish settlement in the United States will have many of you wondering just what it is all about, since most histories and encyclopedias mention the settlement briefly if at all.

Gustavus Adolphus, who became King of Sweden in 1611, was an ambitious ruler and early determined that Sweden should take its share of the vast and little known lands on the other side of the Atlantic. The religious wars on the European continent kept the Swedish king too busy to permit his sparing men and materials necessary to establish a colony in America and his untimely death in 1632 at the battle of Lutzen ended for several years all talk of such settlements. His successor was the child Christina and her regents inheriting the quarrels of Gustavus Adolphus, they too had their hands full in European ventures. Finally a start was made towards the long delayed colonization scheme, when in November, 1637, the "Kalmar Nyckel" and "Fogel Grip" sailed from Gothenburg loaded with would-be settlers and their goods. Strangely the little expedition was not headed by a Swede, but rather by a Dutchman, the same Peter Minuit who had indelibly put his name on history's pages by purchasing

Manhattan Island from the Indians a few years before with a few dollars worth of trinkets. With such a successful real estate promoter at its head, small wonder that the new Swedish "subdivision" was a success. Minuit had governed New Amsterdam for some years, building the colony into one of the best in the New

thus being the first permanent settlers of Philadelphia and eventually selling out to William Penn some 41 years later upon his arrival. At Wilmington they erected a fort, named Christina in honor of the Queen, the small stream near by which flows into Delaware Bay still bearing that name.

The first Swedish governor, one Johan Printz, a rather fiery-tempered fellow, arrived in 1642 and proceeded to embroil the Swedes with their Dutch neighbors. Gov. Printz was finally recalled and replaced, his successor being Rysingh, who proved even less diplomatic and shortly made the fatal mistake of capturing the Dutch post on the site of New Castle, Del., which brought down the wrath—and the arms—of Peter Stuyvesant, belligerent Governor of New Amsterdam. In 1655 a strong Dutch force under his orders recaptured the Dutch fort and seized the Swedish Fort Christina. With this act the Swedish settlements passed to Dutch rule and ended for all time Swedish colonies in America.

The Tercentenary celebration, in contrast to the obscure portion of colonial history it honors, promises to be a widely celebrated event. This will largely be due to the large number of communities composed largely of people of Swedish descent. Very few of these can trace

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Death of Gustavus Adolphus

World, but in 1632 was recalled and replaced by a politically influential man of little governing ability. Thus he had little friendship for the Dutch and prosecuted the settlements by the Swedes with vigor.

Early in 1638 the two ships cast anchor off the site of the present city of Wilmington, and though the territory was claimed by the Dutch, the latter did not make any real effort to drive out the Swedes. The colony soon numbered a hundred families, some of whom settled as far north as the site of Philadelphia—



Shown here is the executive committee of the Oklahoma Philatelic Society which met at the home of President C. N. A. DeBajligthey at Tulsa, Okla., Sunday, January 17th. The group met to discuss plans for this October's sixth annual exhibition and convention to be held at Seminole. The photo by the Tulsa World shows left to right, seated: Mrs. Anna Mae Searle, Tulsa, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. C. S. Buxton, Seminole, Recording Secretary; Mrs. F. M. Wood, Oklahoma City; Mr. DeBajligthey; Miss Helen Hibbard, Bartlesville, past secretary; Mrs. Walter Doane, Bartlesville, and Mrs. DeBajligthey. Standing: Frang G. Wilson, Tulsa, past treasurer; W. Hamilton Peck, Tulsa, first president; R. W. Overton, Tulsa, past second vice-president; F. M. Wood, Oklahoma City, past first vice-president; Geo. Shirk, Oklahoma City, Traveling Secretary; J. Hughey Newell, Seminole, first vice-president; Walter Doane, Bartlesville, second vice-president; F. E. Shaw, delegate from Tulsa Stamp Club; Paul S. Hedrick, past president.

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their ancestry to the 17th Century settlers on Delaware Bay, most of the persons of Swedish descent in the United States being only the second and third generations of immigrants of the post-Civil War era. Delaware, as can be expected, is taking the lead in the Tercentenary. The site of the 1638 landing will be included in a three-acre park to be known as the "Fort Christina State Park." The natural stone pier used so long ago and now surrounded by industrial plants will be the nucleus of the park. Here on June 27th will arrive the Swedish motor liner "Kungsholm," flagship of the Swedish-American Line, escorted by a Swedish naval vessel and very likely U. S. naval vessels. On board will be the Swedish delegation headed by Crown Prince Gustav Adolf and Crown Princess Louise who will be greeted by President Roosevelt. The Crown Prince will be remembered for a similar visit in May, 1926, when he officiated at the dedication of the John Ericsson monument on the banks of the Potomac. On that occasion too, a special stamp was issued.

This time the monument to be unveiled and dedicated will be a 25 foot shaft of Swedish granite, topped with a representation in polished black granite of the little frigate "Kalmars Nyckel." The shaft will be decorated with illustrations of typical scenes of the early colony, some of a humorous vein—something new in monuments in that respect. Professor Carl Milles, Sweden's most noted sculptor, whose main studio is at Bloomfield Hills, Mich., was the designer of the monument. The shaft is the gift of the Swedish people who subscribed \$50,000 towards its cost.

The royal visitors will briefly tour the eastern United States and include the White House. From Stockholm are coming two special exhibits, one of historical items to be shown at the Swedish-American Historical Museum at Philadelphia; the other of Swedish Art to tour the museums of the United States between January and July.

A commemorative half dollar is being issued by the United States picturing on one side the "Kalmars Nyckel" and on the other the "Old Swedes Church" at Wilmington, built in 1699. As usual these coins are being sold at a considerable premium over face—3½ times face being its price by the committee. Sweden is similarly aiding in financing the cost of the celebration by issuing a coin sim-

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It is not known as yet what the subject of the U. S. stamp will be as there are a number of good subjects available. The monument will probably be shown as we have had a number of stamps showing landing scenes and ships of colonial times. There has been some mention of Governor Printz as a subject, but since he was the second governor and not distinguished for any worthwhile acts, his portrait hardly seems important enough for the occasion. Wilmington undoubtedly will be the first day city and collectors have a chance for some unusual cancels in connection, since the Kungsholm has a sea post office and the naval vessels will probably have their own markings.

Lincoln on San Marino Miniatures

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Your Washington Correspondent

By CHARLES A. KENNY, Washington Times Stamp Editor

Your Washington Correspondent has waited past the day that his column should be in the mails (Wednesday) speeding to Columbus, Ohio, with the hope of getting through information that the President has signed the recently passed Illustration Bill. Word came through finally in time to make this week's column that the President had signed the bill Friday evening, Jan. 28th. Navy armament program, formal conferences with industrial leaders of the Nation and similar economic meetings had shoved the signing of this bill important to stamp collectors, stamp publication editors and catalogue publishers, into the background.

And still another week goes by without any sign of life from the Division of Stamps relative to the 1938 program. In this respect the Post Office Department is making a serious mistake inasmuch as a hobby can certainly grow cold without the stimulant of a new issue. Stamp dealers here are biting their nails with the hope that something will be done not in the near future but

"pronto".

Naturally with the lack of information, along these lines, the sales figures will probably make a new low for the month of January at the Philatelic Agency. Of course it is a breathing spell for the intense collector of United States stamps who now can sink some of his hard earned monthly allotment into older issues of the Government, now obsolete, or can go after the famous Coronation stamps of the British Colonies they have put off purchasing last year.

With this continued silence of the Post Office Department, the usual rumors of commemorative stamps fill the air. The latest concerns the issuance of a special stamp for Benjamin Franklin at the dedication of the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia in May. Another is a Missouri adhesive and so on. But at the rate the P. O. is turning out stamps for its 1938 program, collectors are lucky if even the regular series will make its debut.

It is hardly likely that many commemoratives will be considered for the coming season because many of the "bids" are of such trivial consequence. The P. O. took a blast on the Virginia Dare so it is likely it is not in a receptive mood for another such criticism.

As usual Pan-American was the lone bidder for the air mail contract between United States and Bermuda, which is expected to be officially put into operation this summer. The award is expected to be announced soon.

The writer has run across a story break from Cleveland that Pan-American will not be the only international flying concern that will bid for contracts in the near future. One of the two new companies is the American Export Airlines, Inc., of New York, that plans Atlantic air trade. The other, a company headed by Glenn L. Martin, pioneer airplane manufacturer and builder of the China Clipper is due in the field very soon.

Is the Virginia Dare Stamp An Error?

A reader, Mr. G. A. Martin, submits this item from a book: "In 1008 a son was born to Thorfinn and Gudrid. He was called Snorri Thorfinnson. He was the first white child born on the American continent of which we have any record." This, if true, makes Virginia Dare some centuries late for the honor of being the first white child born in America. But Norse history is so shrouded in legend that we think Virginia has a right to her belated honors for the time being at least.

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A GOOD IDEA The Souvenir Issues Association presents in the fourth number of its official journal, The Souvenir Issue, a commendable scheme to eliminate the evils that make life unpleasant for the collector of souvenir sheets. The S. I. A. proposes to send to the postal department of every member of the Universal Postal Union a list of recommendations for guidance in issuing miniature sheets. If the countries will be so guided is a question, but there is no doubt that much of the speculative interest and high prices of miniature sheets will be eradicated. Following are the conditions submitted to the S. I. A. membership for their approval and for any possible changes:

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Especially welcome would be the assurance that the sheets would be available to all over a stated period and the 60 days mentioned if carried out in all these issues would in itself be the most effective measure. Condition Three would probably be the one point to which collectors and postal departments would not agree as the size quoted is smaller than a good many of the sheets issued and actual outside size of sheet seems unimportant since only a comparative few of each issue are used on first day covers. Then, too, it is the wide salvage of many of these sheets that makes the stamps in the center so attractive.

Too many sheets have been (and are) gold-diggers in every sense of the term and Condition Five is an excellent one as many a sheet has contained stamps of the highest face value the traffic would stand. If the collectors and dealers will support this movement they will all benefit for rare and high-priced stamps never made the hobby as popular as it is today. Most collectors buy few stamps costing in the dollars and most of the miniature sheets have a habit of coming in the higher price brackets.

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latter's message to Congress. Adams was one of the four presidential candidates in the election of 1824, and none receiving enough to take office, the election was turned over to the House of Representatives which elected Adams, though Andrew Jackson actually had received more votes in the general election. During Adams' term great internal improvements were undertaken and the first, the Erie Canal, was completed. Adams himself passed up the laying of the cornerstone of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad to attend the ceremonies starting the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal, both events occurring on the same day. A candidate for re-election in 1828, his chief opponent was Andrew Jackson and the ensuing campaign was the bitterest in our history. Adams received about one-third of the electoral votes and was so angry that he refused to attend the inaugural of the General and retired to his home. From 1831 until two days before his death he was an active member of the House. He does not appear on any of our stamps, perhaps because nothing happened during his term to give him enough fame to warrant his being postally honored. His Vice-President, John Calhoun, has appeared on Confederate stamps.

Note: James Madison (see our issue of Jan. 22) was born in KING George County, Va., not PRINCE George County. This was an error in our reference book which was called to our attention by R. R. Walker.

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1c Hug.-Wall.	1.20	1.45	5.50		FARLEY					Coronations Per 10 Sets				
2c Hug.-Wall.	2.10	9.50			Issues (without gum)									
5c Hug.-Wall.	10.00		64.00		3c Newburgh	.32	.40	13.00	20.00	Aden				
1c Lex.-Con.	1.20	1.50	6.00		3c Byrd (Perf)	.40	.55	9.50	16.00	Antigua	.57	.73		
2c Lex.-Con.	2.00	2.50	11.25	13.00	3c Mothers	.50	.70	13.00	17.00	Ascension	4.10			
5c Lex.-Con.	6.00		26.00		3c Wisconsin	.50	.70	13.00	16.00	Australia	.85			
2c Norse-Am.	2.00		20.05		1c Parks	.18	.26	4.25	6.00	Bahamas	.60	.78		
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2c White Plains	.90	1.10	10.00		5c Parks	.57	1.10	16.00	22.00	Bermuda	.60	.75		
2c Vermont	.70	.90	7.50		6c Parks	.87	1.50	20.00	27.00	Br. Honduras	.59	.75		
2c Burgoyne	1.70	2.00	9.00		7c Parks	.90	1.40	21.00	27.00	Br. Guinea	.58			
2c Valley Forge	.50	.63	5.00		8c Parks	1.20	1.60	26.00	35.00	Br. Solomon	1.50			
2c Molly Pitcher		.65		7.00	9c Parks	1.70	27.00	40.00		Canada	.45	.55	.30	.39
2c Hawaii	1.30		13.50		10c Parks	1.50		25.00		Cayman	.55			
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2c Edison (Flat)	.48	.57	5.00		3c Byrd 25 Panes 6		8.50	12.50		Falkland	.50	.75		
2c Edison (Rotary)		.80		8.50	1c Parks 20 Panes 6		3.50	5.00		Fiji	.60			
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2c Charleston	.57		6.00							Gilbert	2.75			
2c Braddock's		.46	4.00	4.60	3c Connecticut		.35	1.65		Gt. Britain	.22	.28		.40
2c Von Steuben		.46	4.00	5.20	3c San Diego	.27 1/2	.33	1.65		Hongkong		.40		
2c Pulaski	.30	.34	3.00	3.75	3c Boulder Dam	.27 1/2	.33	1.60		India	.60	.78	NO	NE
2c Red Cross	.21	.27	2.75		3c Michigan	.27 1/2	.33	1.65		Jamaica	.58	.75		
2c Yorktown		.48		2.50	3c Texas Cen.	.27 1/2	.33	1.65		Kenya		.90		
1/2c Bi-Cent.		.07	.85		3c Arkansas	.27 1/2	.33	1.65		Leeward	.57			
1c Bi-Cent.	.12		1.20		3c Rhode Island	.27	.33	1.50		Malta	.60			
1 1/2c Bi-Cent.	.40	.48	4.00		3c Oregon	.27	.33		1.65	Mauritius	8.50			
2c Bi-Cent.		.25		2.50	3c Anthony	.27 1/2	.31	3.20		Montserrat	.70			
3c Bi-Cent.	.92		10.25		1c Army	.09	.12		3.00	Morocco Br.	3.00		NO	NE
4c Bi-Cent.		.48	4.50		1c Navy	.09	.12		2.00	Morocco Sp.	2.00			.20
5c Bi-Cent.		.65	6.50		2c Army	.18	.22	.90	.43	Morocco Fr.	.43			3.80
6c Bi-Cent.	.95		9.00		2c Navy	.18	.22	.90	1.10	Nauru		.57		
7c Bi-Cent.		.78	7.10		3c Army	.27	.31	1.35	1.55	Newfoundland	.45	.60		
8c Bi-Cent.	.80	.95	8.35		3c Navy	.27	.31	1.35	1.55	New Guinea	.27 1/2	.35		5.00
9c Bi-Cent.	1.05		10.60		4c Army	.36	.42	1.80	2.10	Nigeria	1.00	.75		1.70
10c Bi-Cent.	1.60		15.50		4c Navy	.36	.42	1.80	2.10	Niue	.95			1.70
Sets 12 Val.	7.95		75.00	95.00	5c Army	.45	.55	2.25	2.75	N. Rhodesia		.60		
2c Olympic	.21	.26	2.50		5c Navy	.45	.55	2.25	2.75	Nyassaland	1.50			
2c Arbor Day		.26	2.50	2.85	3c Northwestern	.27	.31	1.35		Papua	.55			1.95
3c Olympic	.50	.63	5.60		5c Virginia Dare	.45	.55	2.15		St. Kitts	.60			
5c Olympic		.65		6.75						St. Helena	1.68			
3c William Penn		.42	4.00		AIR MAILS					St. Lucia	.60			
3c Daniel Webster	.40	.48	4.20		10c Lindbergh	1.15		5.25		Samoa	1.00		NO	NE
3c Gen. Ogelthorpe		.38	3.85		5c Beacon	.70		5.20		Straits	.35			
3c Newburgh		.35	3.25	4.20	8c Winged Globe		.95		4.60	St. Vincent	.60			
1c Cent. of Prog.		.14	1.20		6c Winged Globe	.53				Seychelles	.70			
3c Cent. of Prog.	.35	.45	4.35		5c Wing. Globe Rot.		.69	2.60		Sierra Leone	.55			
3c N. R. A.		.40	3.95		Zeppelin 3 Val.	30.00	38.00			S. Rhodesia	.45			
3c Byrd		.57		3.85	50c Graf Zeppelin	16.50	22.00			South Africa, pr.	8.50		11.00	8.50
5c Kosciusko		.67	5.50		16c Spec. Del. Blue		1.70			S. W. Africa	5.70	7.75		
3c Maryland		.41	3.75		16c Spec. Red & Blue		1.70			S. W. Africa, pr.				12.50
3c Mothers (Rot.)		.39		1.70	25c Clipper		2.50			Somaliand		1.20		
3c Mothers (Flat)		.43	1.80		20c Clipper		2.10			Swaziland	.38			
3c Wisconsin		.36	1.80		50c Clipper		5.25			Tangier	.70			.60
1c Parks	.10	.14	.50	.65	15c Long Map		1.65			Trinidad	.60	.80		
2c Parks	.20	.26	1.00	1.25	Exhibition Sheets					Turks	.60	.90		
3c Parks	.30	.35	1.50	1.70	per 10 Sheets					Virgin Is.				
4c Parks		.45		2.50	White Plains, Sheet		4.50			Comp. 62 Col. (249)	70.00	75.00		57.00
5c Parks		.69	3.50		1c Cent. of Prog.		3.75	4.00		Comp. Cr. Col. (45)				52.50
6c Parks		.90	3.30	4.00	3c Cent. of Prog.		2.00	8.00		Comp. Dom. (15)				22.50
7c Parks		.75	3.80		1c Parks		3.75	2.50	11 Var. Newf.					1.10
8c Parks	.80	1.00	4.35	5.00	3c Parks		3.80		King Ed. Gr. Br.		.13			2.10
9c Parks	.90	1.10	4.50	5.25	3c Byrd		3.65	3.95	King Ed. Mor. Ag.		.23			6.00
10c Parks		1.25	5.10	5.50	Tipex 12c Face		2.20		N. Z. C. of C.		.60			
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The Postage Stamp Parade

A Record of New Issues and New Discoveries

By RAY SHEPARD—1529 Duxberry Ave.—COLUMBUS, OHIO

LIECHTENSTEIN—New Pictorial. To go with those noted December 4th. Photogravure printing, unwmkd., perf. 11½. 30c is large horizontal format. Other is small upright:

Postage

15c. slate
30c. ultramarine

Official

Overprinted with usual "REGIERUNGS DIENSTSACHE" in circle and crown in center:

25c. brown
30c. ultramarine

(R. Roberts)

MANCHUKUO—Commemorating withdrawal of Japanese extraterritoriality in Manchukuo. Issued December 1, 1937. 2c. is upright 21½ x 27½mm. 12c. is also vertical, but 22½ x 39½mm. The other values are horizontal format 39½ x 22½mm. Reported sold out on first day of issue. Unwmkd., perf. 13:

2c. dark red (map of Manchukuo)
4c. emerald-green (The building of Japanese Residents Society in Hsinking)
8c. orange (same of 4c.)
10c. light blue (Postal Service Bureau building in Hsinking)
12c. violet (Judiciary Department building in Hsinking)
20c. light brown (same as 10c.)

(Fraser Company)

NEWFOUNDLAND—Coronation, re-enraved die. Large type map design, sheets of 100 (10 x 10) perf. 13:

3c. orange-brown

(R. Roberts)

SALVADOR—Air Post Stamps. Official. Large pictorial design 39 x 29 horizontal, perf. 12, unwmkd.:

15c. orange-yellow
20c. green
25c. purple
30c. brown
40c. blue
10c. black
50c. carmine

(R. Roberts)

NORWAY—New Portrait of King. Upright small format 20x23½mm, perf. 12x13, wmkd. posthorn, sheets of 100 (10x10) photogravure.

1kr. deep myrtle green

Official Stamps. Arms type inscribed "Offentlig sak". Large format, horizontal, 30x23½mm, photogravure, wmkd. posthorn, perf. 13x13, sheets of 100 (10x10):

7 ore, orange
10 ore, deep green
15 ore, olive-green
30 ore, deep-ultramarine

(R. Roberts)

PANAMA—Fire Department Issue. This is the term by which this issue no doubt will be popularly known, as it commemorates the 50th Anniversary of the Panama Fire Department, 1887-1937. Photogravure, unwmkd., perf. 14x14½. 2c. and 5c. of the postage set are horizontal, while the other values are vertical format:

½c. brown-orange (Ricardo Arango)
1c. deep green (Juan A. Guizado)
2c. scarlet (The Burning of Concordia)
5c. blue (fire engine)
10c. lilac (Monument 6th May)
12c. olive-green (David H. Brandon)

(Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

Air Post of above Issue

5c. blue (Badge of Firemen)
10c. orange (Florencio Arosemena)
20c. carmine (Jose Gabriel Duque)

(R. Roberts)

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS—King George VI design. Same design as that noted by us December 18th. Head facing right, wmkd. script CA, perf. 14. Sheets of 100 (10x10):

2c. green
25c. carmine & purple

30c. orange & mauve
40c. purple & carmine

(R. Roberts)

SWITZERLAND—1937 Pro Juventute Issue. Two lower values are upright 24 x 29mm., and other two are horizontal 41½ x 26mm. Photogravure, granite paper, unwmkd., perf. 11½:

5c. plus 5c. green (Genl. H. Dufour)
10c. " 5c. mauve (Nicholas von der Flue)
20c. " 5c. orange-red & gold (child's head)
30c. " 10c. blue & gold (same as 20c.)

(Lincoln A. Russell)

URUGUAY—Commemoratives. Horizontal rectangular format, perf. 12½. Quantities issue are noted after each stamp and we call your particular attention to the small quantity of the 75c. air post value:

Postage

1c. gray-violet (Rio Negro Dam)—3,000,000
10c. dark blue (same)—300,000
15c. rose (same)—100,000

Air Post

20c. light green (same as 1c above)—50,000
35c. brown (same)—10,000
75c. violet (same)—5,000

Additional Values in the new type. Local printing.

A135—5m. light brown
A135—2c. dark brown
A135—5c. blue

(H. G. Spanton)

VENEZUELA—La Guaira Commemoratives. In honor of the purchase of the harbor by the Venezuelan Government. Lithographed, unwmkd., perf. 11. Large upright rectangle, 24 x 41mm. Pictorial design. Lower value is for ordinary postage and other two are Air Post:

25c. blue
70c. emerald
1.80B. ultramarine

(R. Roberts)

"Illicit" Stamp Trading

German dealers are very much interested in current attempts to stop what they term "illicit trading." What is regarded as a necessary evil (if that) in the United States is considered in Germany as an illegal act. By this we refer to collectors dealing in stamps on the side. German dealers are seriously interested in forcing those who do so to take out the license required in Germany for stamp dealers.

Thru an error the price of the Molly Pitcher stamp was incorrectly stated in the adv. of Morris Jacobowitz on page 176. Price should have read 8c unused and 7c used.

Senator Joseph Guffey (Penna.) has stepped to the philatelic front with a request for a commemorative in honor of the 75th Anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg address of November 19th, 1863.—*Philadelphia Record Stamp Corner.*

The Canadian Philatelic Agency received 19,435 orders during 1937 and sold \$138,593 worth of stamps.

—*Wm. M. Stuart, Wash. Post.*

A new Ecuadorian stamp paper is at hand, the first number being dated November, 1937. Official organ of the Central Filatelico de Guayaquil it is intended to appear bi-monthly.

A new stamp column is that of Hans Berner which appears each Saturday in the Davenport (Iowa) Daily Times.

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TRENDS.

One who trades and exchanges correspondence with collectors cannot but help note from time to time the trend of the collecting urge and how it shifts and turns. To one that deals this is much more apparent. It is also interesting to note how one type of collection evolves from another. Take for instance the type collector. From this form of collecting comes the collector that saves only one precancel from each town and city. Any denomination stamp, or any style of type will do. At that it takes well over 4500 stamps to get caught up I am told. From the general bureau print collector I have noted that there is developing a trend to collect only B-11 types. A glance at a recent catalog and one can easily see why this is coming about. I predict that when the forthcoming new issue is here and well established that again the line will be drawn and another new type of collection will be started. About five or six years back when the Bi-Centennial issue was in circulation and collectors were going for these elusive items strongly, there is no doubt in my mind but that the double line types on these Bi-Cents engendered the idea of Double Line collecting. Some collectors may claim that THEY were the ones that originated some certain style of collecting, but if you investigate closely you will find some part or hint in some of the styles of collecting that have gone on before.

LOS ANGELES 123.

Conferring with several bureau print collectors about the absence of a minor gap in the recent Los Angeles coils I have been cited to instances where the two plates have been fitted so closely together and so even as to make it appear that there is but a continuous line where the minor gap should be. It is evi-

dent that this is the cause of the belief that there are no minor gaps in the Los Angeles coils. An examination of other coils should show that this is not true since only one or two coils out of a set that are printed by a certain combination of plates can be fitted closely enough to make it appear that there is no minor gap. Of course I might be barking up the wrong tree but until something better comes also let us accept the above as an explanation of the seemingly no minor gap situation.

NOTES.

Akron, Ohio, was the place the Ft. Wayne fake prints were turned up and not Cincinnati as previously reported.—My Dixie correspondent from Augusta, Ga., mails me his usual advertising cover franked with a pair of current 1/2c items precancelled Thomson, Ga. U-120 type.—Woodstock, Ill., 1/2c current in U-121 in this week's lots.—New York 6c coil bureaus are not so common with me, every other value from N. Y. comes along often enough but the 6c coils, they elude me.—Postage Due items are missing from current mixtures. It looks as tho the department meant business when they banned the Dues the last time.—Hoover Bros. have an auction listed for Feb. 4. The boys are also moving from their perch atop the building at 1410 to room 1001 in the same building, so that won't change their address any.

California Precancel Meeting

The Southern California Precancel Club has planned to hold its First Annual Dinner Meeting at the San Pedro Y. M. C. A. on Saturday, Feb. 19th. The room will open at 2 P. M. in the afternoon for the benefit of those who wish to exchange stamps, etc. Postmaster Dwight will act as toastmaster and Y Secretary Leonard Hall, who has just returned from the Orient after a ten years stay, will talk on "China and Japan." Further particulars from the club secretary, Fred H. Thorne, 14417 1/2 Tiara St., Van Nuys, Calif.

Buffalo Has Free Banquet

Something novel in the way of anniversary celebrations was held recently by the Bison Philatelic Society of Buffalo, N. Y., on Wednesday, Jan. 12th. This was a banquet, free to all members, total attendance being over 75. Souvenirs consisting of a miniature sheet with the new club emblem resembling the current 30c stamp were presented in a cover with a Dog-Sled Post stamp delivered at the banquet. Copies of the sheets may be obtained at 10c each from the Secretary, R. D. Corless, 224 Gold St., Buffalo, N. Y.

CANADA

(Scott's) 1c EACH (Used)

75	86	89	90	104	105	106	121
122	123	125	142	149	150	163	176
180	185	186	190	195	196	197	213
217	218	219	221	230	233	404	407

2c EACH (Used)

32	33	76	98	107	108	109	114
120	124	126	144	153	155	162	165
168	177	183	191	192	199	205	405
223	237	901	905	906	911	916	912

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Set 211 to 216	.75	88	.36
21 \$1.10	32a \$5.25	92	.05
40	.08	43	.60
44	1.00	51	.07
52	.10	63	.09
54	.40	65	2.25
56	.70	57	.90
58	1.45	59	1.50
60	1.85	98	.12
100	1.00	102	2.00

USED

Set 211 to 216	\$.75	Set 149 to 159	1.40
78a	\$.04	82	\$.05
88	.36	97	.08
92	.05	93	.12
110	.09	201	.04
210	.08	208	.05
224	.05	225	.04
505	.06	34	.09
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The surprise of the last few weeks has been the United States Colonial Stamps. Wholesale supplies of the earlier Philippine Islands are the scarcest. Dealers are having quite a time in filling the sudden flood of Philippine want lists. Right behind follows the Canal Zone Stamps, whose want lists are easier to fill.

The U. S. used block market is at a standstill. With all the publicity given to the speculative possibilities of used blocks there still is no sign of activity, most of the dealers having large stocks and refusing to add to them. Used blocks are being picked up at auctions at very low prices.

Supplies of the George VI Stamps from Ceylon and the Falkland Islands made their appearance in New York this week. The Falkland Island is a very attractive bi-color set of twelve varieties ranging in value from the ½ penny to the pound. The initial supply was small and by now is all gone.

Further supplies of the Guatemala Miniature Sheet, featuring the portrait of President Roosevelt, reached the New York market. Dealers report a steady

daily sale between 5 and 10 sheets. It seems that non-collectors have been attracted by this sheet. This should give "Jim" Farley more ideas on how to increase the Post Office revenues.

J. M. Bartels, in their auction on February 9-10, are selling the J. C. Perry collection of United States Colonies. This collection contains a goodly selection of Canal Zone, Puerto Rico, Guam and Philippine Islands. The Canal Zone section contains many errors. In addition, Dr. Perry's collection of Panama is being offered in the same sale.

The Uptown Stamp Co. in their auction sale of January 22nd, sold a complete set of the Louisiana Purchase series in full sheets for \$656.00. What a return for a \$10.50 face value investment! But the surprise of the sale were the nice prices the Philippines brought.

Many dealers have been accumulating White Plains miniature sheets and sending them to Europe. The reason is apparent, for they are selling from \$6.75 to \$7.25.

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Another large quantity of Commemoratives from the Connecticut to the Oregon has been offered on Nassau Street and politely turned down. These stamps will eventually be used for postage. It seems that more and more speculators are leaving the stamp trade and are spending their full time at their own trades, at last realizing that they can make more money at their own business.

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Pioneer Philatelic Phalanx

The Pioneer Philatelic Phalanx now has a membership of nearly 500 old time stamp collectors, all over 50 years of age. There are 71 women in the Ladies Auxiliary, with the goal of a thousand members in all, being worked for. Two local conclaves attended by over a hundred old-timers were recently held in Los Angeles and San Francisco, as preliminaries to the state conventions planned for 1938. Any person over 50 years of age, who collected stamps before 1900 is eligible for membership. Details may be obtained by sending a stamped reply envelope to the Executive Secretary, L. C. Hooper, 685 Witmer St., Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. Hooper is planning to tour the Western, Mid-Western and Eastern states during the summer months from May to September, speaking at many local clubs on invitation and attending State Conclaves being arranged by several local clubs.

New National Society

On January 4th, a group of collectors met at Tacoma, Wash., to form a new national society, choosing the name American Stamp Association. A committee was appointed to nominate officers for an election to be held soon. Planned activities include sales dept., exchange dept., postmark, first day, pre-cancel, expert and plate block divisions. One of the services will be the supplying of members with insurance for their collections at low cost, the insurance being placed with one of the larger companies. Details may be obtained of the Secretary, Charles E. Winegar, 816 S. Steele St., Tacoma, Wash. On Jan. 13th the Tacoma Stamp Club amended its constitution so that it became Chapter No. 1.

Miami Show Scheduled

The Miami Stamp Club will hold its first National Stamp Show on March 4th, 5th and 6th. Exhibits from various collectors in different sections of the country have been secured and some from the West Indies and Latin-America. Future exhibitions are expected to be Pan-American in scope. President Royce Chalmers maintains permanent quarters at 12 W. Flagler St., where philatelists among Florida's winter visitors will find a ready welcome. The exhibition will be held in the Scottish Rite Temple and entries should be made with the Chairman, Douglas P. Ball, 408 Seybold Bldg., Miami, Fla.

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Employees of the RCA Mfg. Co., RCA Victor Division, have formed a stamp club to be known as the Victor A-A Stamp Club. They wish to contact other clubs whose membership consists of company employees only. R. W. Campbell of 210 Yale Road, Audubon, N. J., is the Secretary.

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